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	The MAILING DATE of this communication appe	ars on the cover sheet with the o	correspondence add	ress		
THE REPLY FILED 19 September 2005 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.						
1. The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:						
	a) The period for reply expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date of the final rejection.					
b)	b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).					
MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(1). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). NOTICE OF APPEAL						
2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).						
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3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because (a) They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); (b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);						
	(c) They are not deemed to place the application in bet	•	educing or simplifying	the issues for		
		corresponding number of finally re	jected claims.			
	NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.1	16 and 41.33(a)).				
	ewly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling					
5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):						
	E. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).					
7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) will not be entered, or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended. The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:						
	Claim(s) allowed:					
	Claim(s) objected to:					
	Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-6</u> . Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:					
	DAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE					
3. 🗌	The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but because applicant failed to provide a showing of good an and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).					
	The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).					
	0. The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.					
	REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER					
1. The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: <u>See Continuation Sheet.</u>						
	Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s).	(PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper	No(s)			
13	3. Other:					
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Continuation Sheet (PTOL-303)

Continuation of 3. NOTE: The limitations added to the independent claim have not been considered in combination with the other dependent claims. New issues, including 112, 2nd paragraph issues would arrise with the entering of the proposed amendment. Claims 3-4 further limit the polyimide; however, claim 1 now contains two polyimides. The language is unclear as to which polyimides should be further limited.

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The applicant argues unexpected results when the current resin layer is placed between a metal foil layer and a polyimide layer. However, the examples given are not comparative with the closest prior art. The Matsuura reference teaches polyimide/bismaleimide resins as adhesives for metal foils and polyimide layers. The difference is not the absence of a bismaleimide but rather the use of different bismaleimides. Regarding the applicant's argument that the reference focuses on the polyimide component rather than the bismaleimide component, it is the examiner's position that the reference still teaches the adhesive compositions having both components regardless of the focus on one comopnent or the other.